## Alabama Department of Human Resources

## Jefferson County STAR Program



Responses to questions:

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In paragraph two, the RFP states that the program must meet the needs of 48 children. It further states, if Therapeutic Foster Care (TFC) is indicated as the needed placement, at the completion of the assessment, the Vendor must have the capacity to maintain the child in the assessment home to prevent the child from experiencing a move and to aid in the achievement of the permanency goal.

We currently have 16 TFC slots available. If we are awarded the STAR contract, would STAR clients step down to one of those slots if they were found in need of TFC services? What would happen with clients who needed TFC services once those 17 slots were filled?

- R1. Yes, it is expected that STAR clients will be stepped down to available TFC slots through the vendor. If there are no available openings, referrals will be made to other TFC vendors.
- Q2. Section 1.7.2 Legal Status Letter or Taxpayer Identification Verification, pg. 8, States that Vendors must send a copy of their IRS legal status letter. However, under Section 4.2.5.5 Attachments, which in other RFPs has included a section for the Legal Status letter, there is no section for the Legal Status letter. Where are we supposed to place this letter? Before or after the narrative?

## **B2. 4.2.3 LEGAL STATUS FORM/TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER**

The Table of Contents must be followed by a copy of the Legal Status Form. This form is issued by the IRS and denotes an organization's legal status (i.e., non-profit, for-profit, corporation, etc.) and includes the Federal Employee Identification Number (FEIN). If the Legal Status Form is not available, a completed and signed copy of the "Request for Taxpayer Identification Number" form (Appendix B) must be included. All items on this form must be completed. (Do not number this page).